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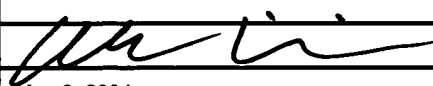
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SECOND
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AMENDMENT

I. INTRODUCTION

Applicants respectfully request that the following preliminary amendment be entered into the application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the amendments directed below include editing marks. New text in an amended paragraph or claim is underlined (new text). Deleted text in an amended paragraph or claim is indicated with a strikethrough (~~deleted text~~) or enclosed in double brackets ([[deleted text]]).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.604(b), Applicants hereby provide notice that new claims 82-84 are copied from U.S. patent application serial no. 10/453,162 in order to provoke an interference. Because the newly added claims in the present application interfere with those

in U.S. patent application serial no. 10/453,162, Applicants respectfully request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office declare an interference.

In addition, Applicants hereby provide notice that claims 37-81 were copied from U.S. patent application serial no. 10/011,251. See Preliminary Amendment submitted March 26, 2004 for a full discussion.

Each of new claims 82-84 is supported by the original disclosure. Appendix A includes a chart that demonstrates the support in the original disclosure for each element of new claims 82-84. The drawing figures and portions of the specification which are cited in Appendix A are merely exemplary of the support found throughout the disclosure.